

REMARKS:

Claim 1 stands provisionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as claiming the same invention as claims 1-3 of co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/614,479.

Claim 1 is hereby amended. New Claims 2-20 are hereby added.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101:

Claim 1 stands provisionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as claims 1-3 of co-pending Application Number 10/614,479. United States Patent Application No. 10/614,479 issued April 5, 2005 under U.S. Patent No. 6,874,495 B2 (the '479 Patent). Claim 1 of the '479 Patent was allowed and was issued without amendment.

Claim 1 of the subject application is hereby amended by adding the additional limitation of "a damper means for adjusting the amount of gas delivered via said conduit means to said gas directing means." Thus, the Applicant submits that Claim 1, as hereby amended, overcomes the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101 and is now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that Claim 1, as hereby amended, be allowed.

New Claims:

New Claims 2-20 are hereby added.

New claims 2 and 3 are similar to issued Claims 2 and 3 of the '479 Patent, but each include the added limitation of "a damper means for adjusting the amount of gas delivered via said conduit means to said gas directing means." Thus, the Applicant submits that new Claims 2 and 3 are allowable. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that new Claims 2 and 3 be allowed.

New Claims 4-20 are directed to an oven for cooking a food product by hot gas having the unique feature that the gas directing means are configured such that the gas from the first gas directing means **collides** with the gas from the second gas directing

means. Claim 4 is an independent claim and Claims 5-20 are dependent claims based upon Claim 4 and intervening claims. This feature of one gas flow **colliding** with another gas flow in the oven chamber is not known in the art. Thus, the Applicant submits that independent Claim 4 is allowable and that dependent Claims 5-20, which further limit Claim 4, are also allowable. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that new Claims 4-20 be allowed.

CONCLUSION:

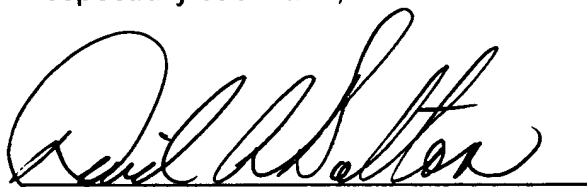
Claim 1 is hereby amended to overcome the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101 and is now in condition for allowance. New Claims 2-20 are hereby added.

The subject application was filed with a single independent claim. Nineteen new claims are hereby added, three of which are independent claims. Therefore, a fee of \$100.00 is due for one independent claim in excess of three.

Filed herewith is a Request for Response Within the Third Month, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a Form PTO-1449, including a copy of the Non-U.S. references. Also enclosed is Global Appliance Technologies, Inc. Check # 1535 in the amount of \$1,260.00 to cover the \$980.00 fee for the Request for Response within the Third Month, the \$180.00 fee for the Information Disclosure Statement, and the \$100.00 fee for the one independent claim in excess of three.

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